

I travel regularly for business and would find having to listen to my fellow passengers phone conversations while trapped in my little seat intolerable. It is bad enough that there are practically no public places without people yammering loudly on their cellphones. However, an airplane is different: there is no way to escape the noise. Even noise-cancelling headphones are no use against a conversation, and cell-phone users always speak louder than is necessary. If the airlines want to allow cell-phone use in the air, they can install sound-proofed phone booths and charge a fee for their use.